REMARKS

In response to the Advisory Action dated January 3, 2002 Applicant has canceled claims 21-27 without prejudice. Although Applicant respectfully asserts that the canceled claims are patentable over the rejections of record, as set forth in the Response dated November 22, 2006, Applicant has canceled these claims to expedite issuance of the allowed claims. Applicant expressly reserves the right to resubmit the canceled claims in a continuing application.

In view of the above, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge Deposit Account No. 06-2380, under Order No. 63134/P042US/10600055 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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